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News Release

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DOW Update: Water service shutdown extended in Hanapēpē town, Westbound traffic on Kaumuali'i Highway rerouted onto Hanapepe Road

(7:45 a.m.) HANAPEPE - The Department of Water (DOW) has extended the water service shutdown in Hanapēpē town until approximately 10 a.m. this morning. Additional time is required to complete the remaining work on the new 16-inch and 12-inch main lines that are being installed to improve the Hanapepe-Ele'ele water system. Water services remains unavailable to customers located on Iona Road, Lea Lane, Luka Place, Pepe Road, Kuiloa Road and a portion of Kaumuali'i Highway; between Hanapēpē Road and Iona Road in Hanapēpē until the work is completed.

DOW contractor, Goodfellow Bros. Inc. (GBI) experienced an equipment malfunction overnight, which delayed the installation schedule through this morning. Crews continue to work on Puna Road and at the intersection of Kona Road and Kaumuali'i Highway in Hanapepe.

Additionally, traffic control has been revised to reroute westbound traffic through Hanapepe town in order to assist with peak morning traffic on Kaumuali'i Highway. Motorists traveling west on Kaumuali'i Highway will be rerouted through Hanapepe town from Hanapepe Road and may access Kaumuali'i Highway from Hana Road. Eastbound traffic will continue on Kaumuali'i Highway as normal. Access to Kuiloa Road from Kaumuali'i Highway is available from Puna Road. Motorists are advised to adhere to traffic control and drive with caution when traveling through the area.

A trailer-mounted water tank containing potable water is available to customers and is located on the maukaside of Kona Road. Customers must bring their own water containers to fill up, if needed.

An update will be provided as soon as new information becomes available. To monitor updates online, visit www.facebook.com/KauaiDOW.

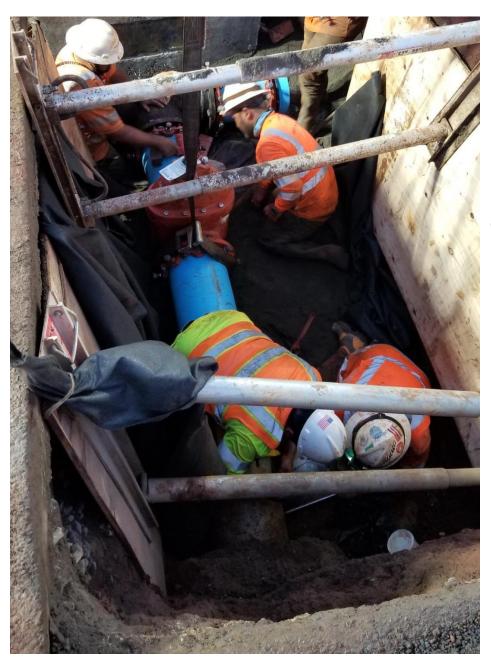


Photo caption: GBI crews continues to work on the 12-inch water main connection this morning, at the intersection of Kona Road and Kaumuali'i Highway in Hanapepe.

The installation work is part of the DOW's Hanapepe-Ele'ele Water System Improvement Project to build resiliency in Kaua'i's water infrastructure islandwide.

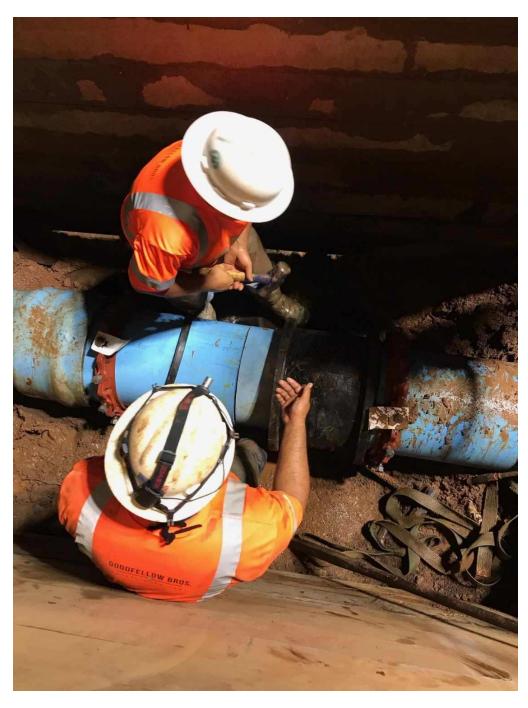


Photo caption: The new 16-inch water main line on Puna Road (shown above) is also being installed and connected simultaneously with the new 12-inch water main being installed at the intersection of Kona Road and Kaumuali'i Highway in Hanapepe.